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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: AMCITS INVOLVED IN HIJACKINGS

REFS: A. STATE 197921, B. PARIS 24751

1. GIVEN SITUATION DESCRIBED REF. B, DEPARTMENT CONCURS
WITH EMBASSY'S PROPOSAL PARA. 6, REF. B. HOWEVER, ADDI-
TIONAL CLARIFICATION IS REQUIRED.

2. DEPARTMENT FULLY APPRECIATES CONSIDERATIONS CITED IN
PARA. 1, REFTEL B, REGARDING PRIORITIES OF LOCAL AUTHORI-
TIES DURING A HIJACKING INCIDENT. HOWEVER, THE DEPARTMENT
HAS OBLIGATIONS TO THE FAMILIES OF ANY AMCITS WHO MAY BE
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ABROAD A HIJACKED FOREIGN CARRIER, NOT TO MENTION ITS
RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE WELFARE OF THE INVOLVED AMCITS
THEMSELVES. IF FOR NO OTHER REASON THAN CONSIDERATIONS OF
RECIPROCITY AND BILATERAL COOPERATION, THE DEPARTMENT BE-
LIEVES IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE TO CONVEY OUR NEEDS IN THIS
MATTER TO THE APPROPRIATE FRENCH AUTHORITIES AND SEEK THEIR
COOPERATION.

3. EMBASSY SHOULD ENSURE THAT APPROPRIATE CONTACTS ARE MAINTAINED THROUGH WHICH EMBASSY CAN EXPEDITIOUSLY OBTAIN MANIFESTS IN THE EVENT OF A HIJACKING. FYI: DURING

AUGUST 12 INCIDENT, THE DEPARTMENT COULD NOT GET THROUGH TO THE AIR FRANCE PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER IN NEW YORK UNTIL AFTER THE INCIDENT. REPORTS FROM PARIS AT THE TIME INDICATE THAT THE ASSISTANT CIVIL AIR ATT ALSO HAD DIFFICULTY WITH AIR FRANCE IN OBTAINING PASSENGER MANIFEST. END FYI.

4. DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS FROM FAA THAT THE FAA REPRESENTATIVE IS UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO REPORT ONLY ON HIJACKING OF U.S. CARRIERS. IN VIEW OF THE SOP DESCRIBED IN REF. B, PARA 4, PLEASE CLARIFY WHAT PROCEDURES WOULD BE FOLLOWED IN HIJACKING OF FOREIGN CARRIER WITH POSSIBLE AMCITS ON BOARD. SPECIFICALLY, WHO WOULD CONTACT THE CARRIER, ET AL AND OBTAIN PASSENGER MANIFEST.

5. YOUR REQUEST (REF. B) RE HOW DEPARTMENT FIRST LEARNED OF HIJACKING IS BEING ANSWERED BY SEPTEL. VANCE

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